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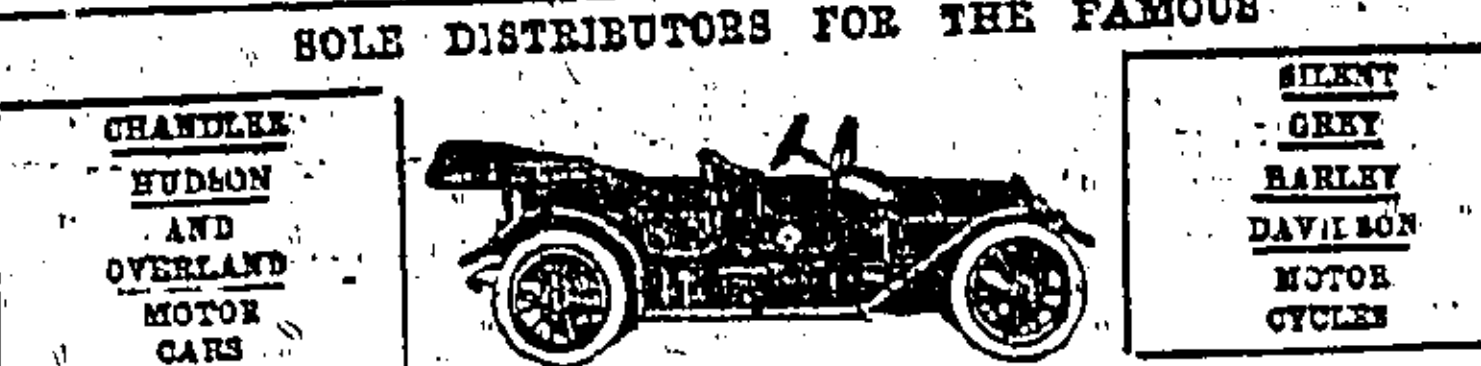
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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

**M. CLEMENCEAU ON PUBLICITY.**  
FRENCH PRESS COMMENT.

LONDON, January 17.  
M. Clemenceau, when making a general statement to the Chamber of Deputies, said the differences of opinion at the Conference were most natural. If everyone had been unanimous there would have been no need for such a meeting. Its whole object was to balance interests when conflicting. Although full publicity for the debates was generally favoured, one point of secrecy must be observed, namely, when one government puts a proposal opposed by the head of another government.  
Concerning the League of Nations, M. Clemenceau added that it would be a delusion unless there were a general determination to make it a reality. (One object of the French Government was to bring about a complete agreement among civilised nations and so avoid a resumption of the abominations of the war.)  
The French Press generally remarks on the danger of allowing the Conference to be reported by hearsay; but says the communiqués must contain at least as much information as the war communiqués did.

**GERMANS WANT TO KNOW.**

LONDON, January 17.  
At the Armistice conference at Treves the German members asked when the blockade would end, the German prisoners of war be liberated, and the preliminary peace conditions be signed.

**FRENCH DEMOBILIZATION.**

LONDON, January 17.  
One million two hundred thousand French soldiers will be demobilised by February 15, and 3,000,000 by March 31. Then the whole of the territorial, and two classes of the active army, will be back in civil life.

**ARRAS.**

LONDON, January 17.  
The Arras Town Council has unanimously voted for the restoration of the town to its original aspect.

**CRUEL FATE.**

LONDON, January 20.  
A Copenhagen message reports that 100 Chinese and Japanese have arrived there from internment in Germany. They were not allowed to land, and are to be sent back to Germany.

**THE SILVER MARKET.**

LONDON, January 20.  
Montagu's report dated January 10, says that the trade demand is somewhat active, but not sufficiently to accommodate the market, which is deprived of competition from abroad owing to the continued export restrictions.

Shanghai exchange is quoted 5s. 1d.

LONDON, January 20.

The Silver Market is quiet.

LATER.

The Silver Market is unchanged.

**AMERICAN SHIPMENTS.**

LONDON, January 20.

A New York message on January 19 says that \$1,000,000 in silver was to be shipped on January 13 to India, making \$25,000,000 shipped to the Orient during the recent movement.

**EARLIER TELEGRAMS.**

**POCH CONFIRMS HAIG.**

**GERMANS WERE BEATEN.**

LONDON, January 16th.  
Marshal Foch, addressing American war correspondents at Treves, on January 16th declared that when the Armistice was signed and the Germans surrendered everything had been prepared for an offensive, through which the German Army must infallibly have succumbed. The German High Command knew that it faced colossal disaster. We should have attacked on November 14th in Lorraine with 20 French Divisions and 8 American Divisions. The attack would have been supported by other movements in Flanders and in the centre.  
Emphasising the necessity of safeguarding France against further aggressions, he said that the natural frontier to protect civilization was the Rhine. There the Germans must be held. By using the Rhine France must make it impossible for Germany to recommence the coup of 1914.  
The Rhine was the common barrier of all the Allies. It was the guarantee of peace for all nations who are united to save civilization.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

**PARIS CONFERENCE.**

**ELABORATION OF CLEMENCEAU'S ADDRESS.**

PARIS, January 19th.  
At the Peace Conference, M. Clemenceau said that everything must be subordinated to the necessity for the closer and closer union of the peoples who had participated in the war.  
"The League of Nations has its being in you, it is for you to make it live, and for that there is no sacrifice to which we are not ready to consent. I do not doubt you are all of this disposition, and we shall arrive at this result, but only if we exercise mutual pressure on ourselves to reconcile what may appear to be opposing interests in the higher view of a greater, happier and better humanity."  
The aim of the Conference was the peace of the world. "Let us try to do our work speedily and well."  
The responsibility of the authors of the war, M. Clemenceau emphasised that he would insist on the punishment of the authors of the abominable crimes in war time.

**ARAB DELEGATION.**

PARIS, January 19th.  
Emir Feisal, son of the King of the Hedjaz, is in Paris awaiting instructions from his father concerning the Delegates to represent his kingdom at the Conference.

Colonel Lawrence, who accompanies the Emir, is expected to be chosen as the first delegate of the kingdom of the Hedjaz in order to give greater weight to an important proposal to be submitted to the Peace Conference, namely, the formation of a great Federation of all Arab States, from the Red Sea to the Persian Gulf, free from any Turkish domination, and under the protection of the United States.

**GERMAN DOINGS.**

AMSTERDAM, January 19th.  
A telegram from Berlin states that the four Spartacist leaders who were arrested at Spandau attempted to escape. All were shot dead by the escort.

CONSUMERS, January 19th.

The deaths of Herr Liebknecht and Rosa of Luxemburg led to serious disturbances in German provincial towns, notably Leipzig, where a general strike was declared.

The city is gasless, and waterless.

The new destroyed Democratic Party's election bureau, and compelled the newspapers to publish a declaration blaming the Government for the murders in Berlin.

AMSTERDAM, January 19th.

A telegram from Berlin states that the Independent Socialists' appeal for a general strike, owing to the deaths of Herr Liebknecht and Rosa of Luxemburg was unsuccessful. The great majority of workers did not respond.

AMSTERDAM, January 19th.

The Loket Anzeiger states that the Government has finally decided not to hold the National Assembly in Berlin.

**LOYAL CONDOLENCE.**

LONDON, January 19th.  
Great sympathy is expressed everywhere with Their Majesties, owing to the death of Prince John last night, at Sandringham. He had been very ill for some time.

**POLAND.**

LONDON, January 19th.

The Times correspondent at Warsaw, telegraphing on January 19th, states that the formation of M. Paderewski's Coalition Government was very well received. M. Paderewski, who is Premier, takes the portfolio of Foreign Affairs, and will act in close accord with the Allies.

A British officer has arranged a first meeting for discussion of an armistice with the better elements of those besieging Lemberg.

**CONSCRIPTS TO HOLD RHINE.**

LONDON, January 19th.  
The Times learns that the Rhine Army of Occupation will be composed of men who were recruited since the passing of the Conscription Act in March, 1916.

**A MILITARY SCANDAL.**

LONDON, January 17th.  
An inquest on the death of Major Seton, who was shot on January 13th by Lieut.-Col. Rutherford at the house of Sir Malcolm Seton, opened this afternoon. Sir Malcolm Seton said that the deceased was his cousin.

Lieut.-Col. Rutherford called and asked to see Major Seton. A quarter of an hour afterwards several shots were heard. Sir Malcolm and Lady Seton rushed to the dining-room and found Major Seton dying in the doorway.

When asked if he killed Major Seton, Lieut.-Col. Rutherford replied quietly:—"Yes, I only wish I had another bullet for myself."

The inquest was adjourned.

**ANOTHER CULLINAN.**

KIMBERLEY, January 18th.  
A soft blue and white diamond of 288 carats has been found in a Jagersfontein mine which promises to become one of the historic gems.

**NO MORE COMPULSORY GREEK.**

**REFORM AT CAMBRIDGE.**

LONDON, January 18th.  
The Senate of Cambridge University, by 162 to 14 votes, have decided the long-voiced question of compulsory Greek no far as the entry examination was concerned by making the subject optional.  
Thus, compulsory Greek, which was adopted 80 years ago is now abolished in the "Little Go."

## THE TATA IRON & STEEL CO.

In emphasising the necessity for an increase of capital to Rs. 106,518,600, Sir Dorab Tata, of the Tata Iron & Steel Co., at the annual meeting at Bombay in November, gave some interesting particulars of the new equipment for this enterprise of truly national character.

"Our plant comprises at present batteries of Coppe non-recovery coke ovens, by-product coke ovens, and drag ovens; two blast furnaces, with another nearing completion; six open hearth furnaces, with a seventh under construction; a blooming, a rolling, and a billet mill; three bar mills; and the necessary boiler plant, power installation, foundry, machine shop, pattern shop, etc."

"Under the scheme of greater extensions, we propose to provide three additional blast furnaces, which, I may add are already in the course of construction; addition coke ovens; a Benzol plant, new rail, bar and blooming mills; a sheet bar, mill, a wire mill; a sheet mill and a plate mill, for the rolling of steel sheets and plates; a bolt and nut shop; a sleeper press; an additional machine shop, foundry and a structural shop."

"We have to provide for the construction of 'converters' a tilting furnace and 'mixer,' to increase our steel capacity; for an electric furnace to produce high grade steel; for a larger 'soaking' pit; for a new roll turning shop; for the electric development of our collieries, to ensure cheaper, better and quicker extraction for the supply of large quantities of power to meet the needs of the extended works and the town; for the necessary acquisition of additional land; and for a number of similar items involving a large outlay."

"We have, in addition, schemes for the economic utilization of waste, such as the activated sludge scheme for the recovery of valuable fertilizing material from the sewage of the town."

"At the works themselves are not the only concern of the Tata's. They are ambitious to make Sakchi a model town."

"We have," said Sir Dorab, "to provide for the furtherance of sanitation; and, generally speaking, for the promotion of all the needs of a manufacturing community of thousands of human beings occupied in the operation of your works, and the industries based on them. We have to undertake a large amount of municipal work ourselves; and a considerable amount of work for the welfare of our labour."

"It is necessary for us, for instance, to build a larger hospital, and a convalescent home; provide greater facilities for education, general and technical; and adequate facilities for technological training and scientific research. We have to provide for the lay out of agricultural farms, where our own fertilizers could be used to advantage, so that Sakchi may become sooner or later a self-contained unit, independent of remote and varying market conditions for its primary and every-day necessities."

"Then again, it is becoming more and more pressing to extend the town and the residential facilities in it; to build not only more houses and more labour quarters, but more roads, a larger water supply and an extended up-to-date drainage system, all of which are necessary adjuncts in the life of a community that is rapidly growing in numbers, and which will increase further still when a number of subsidiary industries with whom we have negotiated, and are negotiating, will establish themselves round your works."

At the meeting the following distribution of dividends was made:—On preference shares Rs. 4-8 (less income tax) per share, that is, at the rate of six per cent. per annum. On ordinary shares Rs. 8 per share free of income tax, and on deferred shares Rs. 7-8 per share free of income tax. This leaves a balance of Rs. 4,892,927-13-1. Out of this sum the directors recommend a final dividend of six per cent. per annum, i.e., Rs. 225,000 (less income tax) on preference shares. They further recommend a final dividend of Rs. 9 per share free of income tax to the ordinary shareholders, and Rs. 80 per share free of income tax to the deferred shareholders which would amount to Rs. 38 lakhs. After making all these payments there remains a balance of Rs. 4,67,927-13-1 to be carried forward.

An attempt is being made by members of the United States Congress to discourage the further construction of wooden ships under the U.S. shipbuilding programme because of the discarded unseaworthiness of the vessels. In defence of the construction of this type of boat, it has been stated that of the hundreds which have been built since the entry of the United States into the war, only three have been lost, all of which met disaster in severe storms.

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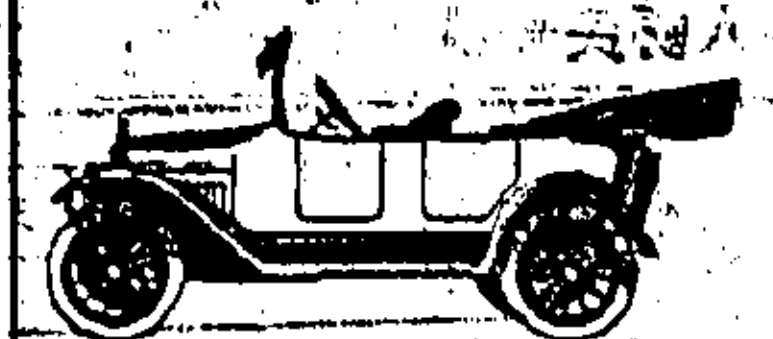
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## JAPAN SUBMARINE SCHOOL.

It has been decided that a Submarine  
and Torpedo School, the first of the kind  
in Japan, shall be established in the Kure  
Coast Defence Guard compound.TIENTSIN HAS GOOD STOCK OF  
SILVER.The silver-stocks of the foreign banks  
in Tientsin are estimated to total between  
three and a half million and four mil-  
lion taels, and between five and six  
million dollars. Native banks have about  
a million and a half taels and three mil-  
lion dollars. A large amount of the  
silver deposited in the foreign banks is  
for the credit of native banks.The total note issue outstanding by  
foreign banks in the neighbourhood of  
two million dollars.

## RAISING THE VINDICTIVE.

It is proposed shortly to begin the work  
of raising the "Vindictive," sunk at the  
eastern pier in Ostend harbour. Not im-  
probably the ultimate destination of the  
famous ship will be the Thames, where  
for generations she will remain a noble  
monument to the prowess of the British  
Navy in the great World War. To get  
the vessel to the surface will be one of  
the hardest tasks our salvage men have  
had cast upon them. It is to be remem-  
bered that the "Vindictive" was placed  
in the hope that the Germans would not  
be able to remove her, and the hundreds  
of tons of cement which were placed in  
her makes the problem of raising her one  
of great difficulty. There is little doubt,  
say the experts, that all obstacles will be  
overcome, but some months may elapse  
before the warship is got to the surface.

## JAPANESE PAPER FIRMS FAILING.

The first reactionary shock of the cessa-  
tion of the war was felt in Japan by the  
manufacturers of medicinal and chemical  
substances. The manufacturers were the  
next to suffer. On the turn of the year  
the paper manufacturers received a good  
shake-up. In spite of their joint efforts  
to stem the tide, the paper market seems  
destined to fall. Three paper concerns  
of Osaka and a couple at Nagoya have  
been compelled to re-adjust their financial  
status and have barely tided over a  
threatened crisis by help from their brother  
firms. In Tokyo several third rate  
houses have already gone to pieces.A Tokyo paper dealer has observed to  
the following effect:—The market has fallen by 80 per cent.  
on an average. According to advice  
from Tokyo, although none of the first  
and second class firms have yet become  
embarrassed, many are struggling, and  
their accounts. In Osaka, a good number  
of houses have managed to escape in-  
solventcy by begging their Tokyo clients  
to buy their stocks in warehouses pur-  
chased by them beyond their means.

## SWEETHEARTS' CHARTER.

Hitherto it has been necessary to re-  
fuse passports to the fiancés of men  
resident abroad. These restrictions will  
now be relaxed in the case of those who  
produce satisfactory evidence that their  
engagement is of not less than two years'  
standing, says a notice from the Ministry  
of Shipping. Even then passages cannot  
be guaranteed, as wives and families of  
men abroad must take precedence.It is essential that as many as possible  
of these should leave before demobiliza-  
tion of the Army begins, and passengers  
coming within this category should im-  
mediately obtain passports and apply  
to the shipping companies for passages.

## THE ADVENTUROUS RAT.

In connection with General Salmond's  
airplane arrival at Allahabad on Decem-  
ber 19, the story of an adventurous rat  
told by the occupants of the military aéro-  
plane is interesting as indicating a diffi-  
culty, if not a danger, in connection with  
long distance flying which will have to  
be guarded against. The rat, attracted  
by the food supplies, boarded the aéro-  
plane, it is believed, at Chabar or earlier.  
At all events, it was heard gnawing after  
leaving Chabar, and at Karachi, which  
was the next stopping place, the guard  
who protected the machine during the  
night heard the rat continuing its nib-  
bling. The rat could not, however, be  
located or caught. After leaving Karachi  
its activities went on, and as it was  
thought that it might be gnawing some  
important part of the machine it was  
decided to see if cold would have any  
effect on its energies. The machine was  
accordingly taken up to over 10,000 feet,  
and this was too much for a rat-natured  
in the balmy warmth of the Persian  
Gulf, and, frozen or numbed with cold,  
it could apparently hold on no longer  
and dropped off into space.

## MILLIONS OF NEW SUITS.

Demobilization will call for millions of  
new "civil" suits. Production of mili-  
tary clothing is to be curtailed without  
delay, and mills which have been turning  
out khaki by the mile for four years past  
will be able to devote more attention to  
the production of "civil" suits. Whether  
there will be enough to go round really  
depends on the length of time demobiliza-  
tion will take. A heavy rush back to  
civilian life would mean very short sup-  
plies, to say the least. Already there  
has been a large increase in the demand  
for civilian clothes. The head of a West-  
end business house stated recently that  
for the last four years his trade has been  
86 per cent. military and 16 per cent.  
civilian. Since the armistice the percent-  
age is 90 civilian and 10 military. He  
gave it as his opinion that it will take  
about 18 months for the clothing and  
tailoring trade to get back to its normal  
state. Establishments where four years  
old suits can be made to "look like new"  
for a few shillings are preparing for busy  
times.

## NEIGHBOURS AND TREES.

Giving his reserved judgment at Maid-  
stone County Court in the case of Mills  
v. Broker, Judge Parry decided that  
though a man has the right of lopping  
off branches of trees, even fruit trees,  
which overhang his grounds, he may not  
appropriate the fruit in this case ap-  
ples—from such branches. The apples,  
no less than the tree, were the plaintiff's  
real property; severance altered their  
legal status. The defendant, therefore,  
in picking and selling the fruit, had com-  
mitted trespass, and must pay £10  
damages.

## A MISSING EUROPEAN.

Mr. J. A. C. Ronaldson, recently con-  
nected with the firm of Messrs. Gatty,  
and Bateman as an accountant, left his  
residence in Singapore on the 27th ultimo  
and has not been heard of since. The  
police have been making diligent enquiries  
regarding his whereabouts but so far  
without any success. Circulars have been  
dispatched to various centres in the  
F.M.S. and to Malacca and Penang and  
it is to be hoped these will lead to the  
missing resident being found. The police  
description of Mr. Ronaldson is as fol-  
lows: Age 56 years, height about 5ft.,  
partially bald, dark hair turning grey,  
grey moustache, scar on forehead, wears  
glasses. Mr. Ronaldson was a familiar  
figure about town. It seems worth sug-  
gesting that the police might have enlisted  
the help of the Press before ten days had  
elapsed. Circulars can never secure the  
same publicity and attention, as the police  
at home discovered years ago.

## BRITISH DYES.

The terms under which financial assist-  
ance is to be given to the dye industry  
have been issued by the Board of Trade.  
The primary object is to ensure that the  
requirements of textile and other trades  
largely dependent upon an efficient supply  
of dyes are met within a reasonable  
period so as to make them independent  
of German dye-stuffs. It is proposed to  
give financial aid in the form of loans for  
providing capital for manufacturing dyes  
not previously made or made in suffi-  
cient quantities in this country, or in the  
form of grants in aid of buildings, plant,  
and research. These grants will not ex-  
ceed 40 per cent. of the cost of plant or  
buildings, or in the case of research 40  
per cent. of the cost of extensions of  
laboratory buildings and 40 per cent. of  
the annual cost of maintenance. A  
manufacturer receiving a loan or grant  
must pay a dividend of more than 8 per  
cent. until the conditions are fulfilled,  
and all loans are to be repayable within  
20 years.

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The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY 18th, to WEDNESDAY, 23rd January, 1919, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
Secretary.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
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Hongkong, January 13, 1919.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, 23rd January, 1919, at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1918.

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THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.  
A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
Secretary.

THE GENERAL MANAGERS.  
Hongkong, January 13, 1919.

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Hongkong, January 13, 1919.

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The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY 18th, to WEDNESDAY, 23rd January, 1919, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 13, 1919.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, on THURSDAY, the 30th January, 1919, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 30th January, 1919, both dates inclusive.

**DODWELL & CO., LTD.**  
General Managers.

**G. R.**  
**NOTICE.**

ALL PERSONS with the exception of those of Chinese race desiring to leave the Colony should apply in person at the Central Police Station between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Applicants will be required to produce Passports or Identification papers. All persons with certain exceptions, who remain in the Colony for more than 2 days are required to register themselves under the REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ORDINANCE 1916. Forms of Registration giving the particulars required may be obtained at the G.E.O. and at all Police Stations.

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## BRITISH TRADE.

A communique issued by His Majesty's Trade Commissioner in India by cable has been received from the Department of Overseas Trade, London, to the effect that various restrictions on manufactures imports and exports have already been largely relaxed and the removal of control over raw materials, etc., occurs daily. The prospects for the exports trade, so far as tonnage permits, are good and, except in the case of industries which have been most gravely disorganised by war conditions, it is expected that British manufacturers will shortly be able to meet practically all demands. The control of prices is being maintained so far as is necessary in order to stabilise the market, and no forecast of its entire relaxation is at present possible. Materials are wanted immediately for materials produced in excess for the purpose of war including aeroplanes, wooden goods, metal repetition work, sulphuric acid, etc. The department states that since the armistice has been signed many restrictions on commerce have been withdrawn, while in the case of those which remain licences are being granted much more freely than before. Other relaxations are continuing being made. Particulars of which will be published in the Board of Trade Journal. While the pre-war scale of export cannot be regained as once it is possible for a considerable amount of trade to be done by the principal industries in the United Kingdom. Orders placed during the war now have a good prospect of execution, and arrangements for new business should be made quickly. Permits to manufacture and priority certificates are no longer necessary and firms are at liberty to accept civil or commercial orders for immediate execution. This frees the engineering industry for commercial work.

All principal kinds of raw materials are now freed from control. These may now be used for the manufacture, in the United Kingdom, of goods for home trade or export, but raw materials themselves may not be exported in certain cases without licence. The following are some of the raw materials for export of which licences are required: Aluminium, antimony, brass, copper, iron, lead, nickel, spelter or zinc steel, and tin.

The general rule has been to remove restrictions on all manufactured goods while retaining them in the case of raw materials. The following is a list of the most important articles the export of which was formerly prohibited to all countries but is now permitted to parts of the British Empire outside the United Kingdom: Articles manufactured of aluminium; articles manufactured of asbestos; cotton bolting including bolting impregnated with talc or rubber; complete bicycles, tyres and parts of bolts and shoes except children's with soles or uppers of leather; brooms and brushes except tooth brushes; copper and manufactures thereof except wire, bars, plates, rods, sheets, strips and tubes; galvanised sheets; corrugated or flat griddles; glass for optical instruments; hand tools for agriculture; domestic hollow ware of iron or steel; iron and steel plates, rivets, nuts, screws; iron and steel wire and cloth; incandescent mantles and rings; linoleum; magnesite and magnesite bricks; wire nails; photographic materials; rubber manufactures, except surgical gloves; black steel sheets; small tools; waggons and carts and parts thereof; manufactures of wool and hair not to include raw wool or yarn; jute cordage and twine padding and webbing; twist and piece goods; magnesite and parts thereof; surgical magnetite and parts thereof; surgical bandages and pressings. Certain factors will continue to retard delivery for export trade, notably (1) shortage of labour until the army can be demobilised; (2) shortage of tonnage; and (3) the fact that certain industries will require reorganisation of plant before they can revert to their normal activities. The effect of these factors will diminish greatly in a few months. Every effort is being made by all departments of State to assist in the reconstruction of the British export trade, the importance of which is fully realised.

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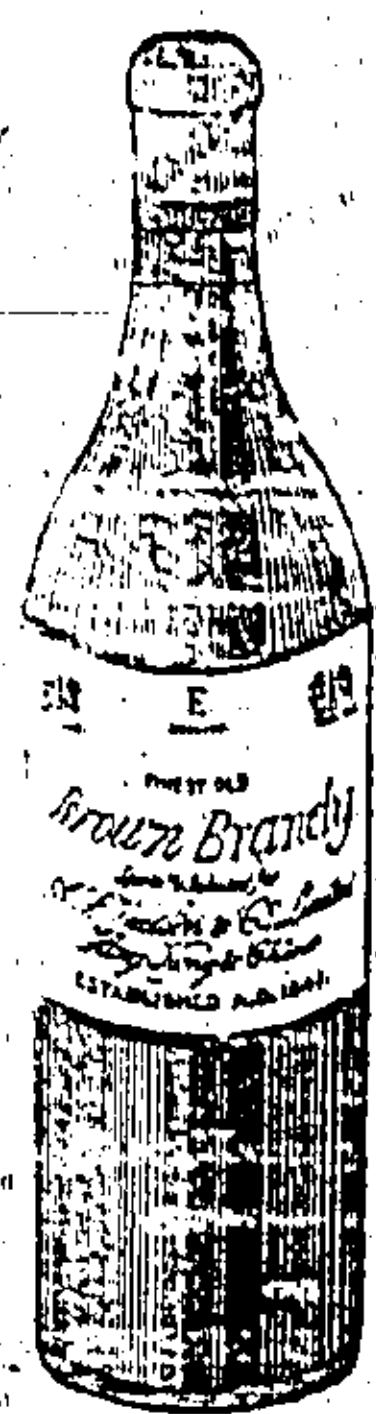
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WOLFE.—On January 20, at 123 Peak, to Mr. and Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, a daughter.

TREADWELL.—On January 11, at Shanghai to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Treadwell, a son.

## MARRIAGES.

DUNKLEY-DIXON.—On October 17, at Dorchester, England, LYNNA ROSE DUNKLEY to JOHN BENNETT DIXON, Lieut. 2nd Bn. the Duke of Cornwall's L.I.

ODRISCOLL-MANCELL.—On Jan. 11, at Shanghai, Lionel Patrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. CORNELIUS O'DRISCOLL, THIBURZA, SKELBERGEN, CORN to Margaret Dorothy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. MANCELL, Shanghai.

## DEATHS.

GRAHAM.—On January 3, at Liaoyang, Manchuria, MARY FLEMING GRAHAM, United Free Church of Scotland.

PRATT.—On January 4, Vancouver, Lucy Margaret, the beloved wife of Captain J. A. P. PRATT.

BOJSEN.—On October 15, at Suma, Kobe-Japan, MARY, wife of P. L. BOJSEN, aged 29 years.

WILMER.—On January 14, at Shanghai, Nina Jan, the only child of Ethel and Harry B. WILMER, aged 20 months.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JAN. 21, 1919.

## WORK.

In the course of his very edifying remarks to the boys of the Diocesan School, Professor Middleton Smith had something to say about work, the blessed kind that begins with a capital W. Unfortunately, to make room for what the soulless editor is compelled to consider real news, our almost verbatim report of the gentleman's speech had to be curtailed, along with much other matter. Reports of three rifle shooting League matches were held over until to-day, as were several other items which will be found elsewhere in this issue. This is one aspect of work with the small w.

As this is going to be an immoral article, parents and guardians are

a means to an end only, as in the Primal Curse aforesaid, that is to say, a perspiring process to get bread, then what moral lesson is there to offer the man that Professor Middleton Smith professes to pity, the man whose bread and butter is already assured? There is a great deal of work in our modern civilization which is not good, which machinery could and should have abolished. The allusion is to the soul-destroying over-production of goods that are made just because somebody needs the profit of selling them. That is not good work. Teaching the young is good work, and producing a newspaper to teach those no longer young might be. [The China Mail is doing its best.] The work of producing food is good work, and should be more respectable than it is. Enough has been said to set the interested reader upon mental enquiry for himself (which is a too often neglected work) and to prove that the correct answer to anybody who goes round saying that work "per se" is a good thing is to ask a question. What work?

## LIEBKNECHT.

If a high and consuming moral purpose makes a man a good man, the late Herr Liebknecht was one. Although born a German nearly 53 years ago, he got the idea of universal brotherhood at a very early age. He got into trouble with the authorities as a young man by active sympathy with one of the Polish revolutionary movements. He was then living in Austria, and was banished. He joined the Swiss army. In the Paris revolution of 1848 he was fighting with the French workers, and secretly supporting the agitation in his own country. Returning to Germany, he worked as a journalist, schoolmaster, and lecturer, and was so outspoken in his devotion to Socialism that they put him in prison, afterwards banishing him. It was then he went to England, where he lived from 1850 to 1862. Five years

later, he was back in Saxony, where his followers were now sufficiently numerous to elect him to the Reichstag. Later he represented Berlin in that assembly, and made things warm for the possessive class. Eloquence in such a language as German sounds difficult, but he managed it so that all men spoke of it, and even opponents went to hear him talk. He made his name, however, apart from that and his political martyrdoms, as the editor of the great Socialist daily "Vorwarts." Few people reading of his recent activities would be likely to realize his great age. Lacking only two months of 53 years, his end, brutal though it was, would probably be regarded by him as a happy and appropriate release.

## COMPRADORE'S SON BLACKMAILED.

## BULLIES TO BE DISCOURAGED.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood at the magistracy yesterday afternoon, the hearing was concluded of the case in which two Chinese were charged with extorting \$100 by threats and menaces from the son of the Compradore of the Bank Line of steamers.

Mr. Goldring appeared to watch the case for the complainant. He said that it was a clear case of extorting money. Half the people in the world he said, would know in such circumstances whether to pay or not. Leaving that out, surely the one thing they had got to stop was the crowd of bullies to which the defendants belonged. Young men, he said, were and would be young men, and even assuming that there might be something in the story about the woman mentioned by the defendants, these blackmailers who put women in the streets to tempt young men, ought to be punished.

The two defendants were bound over in two sureties of \$100 each to be of good behaviour for six months. Failing these sureties, they would have to undergo three months' hard labour.

## STRAIGHT AT IT.

THERE is no use of our "beating around the bush." We might as well cut with it first as last. We want to try Chas. Wolcott's Couch Remedy on the next time you have a cough on cold. There is no reason so far as we can see why you should not do so. This preparation by its remarkable cures has gained a world wide reputation, and people everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. It is for sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s. 3d. 10d. No change, although the wire rate is down to 3s. 3d.

(Antion reports a drop of 40 cents per cwt in the price of rice.

The Canton Christian College is going to publish a quarterly journal.

The Canton Peace Society is sending four representatives to the Conference at Shanghai.

For soliciting a license near Victoria Barracks, a Chinese woman was fined \$15 (or one month) to day.

Fourteen days' hard labour was the sentence passed on a Chinese coolie who had a quantity of stolen coal in Ampy Lane.

Miss B. B. Crawford, of the Canton Christian College, has had her gold watch and two diamond rings, worth \$1,500, stolen.

The weekly statement of the Hongkong Tramway Company's traffic receipts shows \$13,983, or \$1,711 more than in the same week last year. The expenditure for the week was \$40,413, or \$4,540 more than last year.

Mr. Gubbing asked for bail to-day in the case of the Chinese arrested in connection with the Bonham Street robbery. The police did not object to a further week's remand. Mr. Molkeburne required \$5,000 bail.

The Canadian Pacific Steamship Company announce that their liner "Empress of Russia" will leave Hongkong until February 27, instead of February 23, as previously scheduled. This boat is expected to arrive about February 12.

The Assistant Salt Commissioner at Swatow is collecting salt tax, taking over the work of the Assistant Salt Inspector, which has refused to proceed with the collection on the ground that the Salt Commissioner is creating a monopoly in his divisional guarantee scheme.

To-day's report of communicable diseases, covering 48 hours, has only one case of enteric. During the week ending Jan. 14, there were one fatal case of tubercular plague, five cases of enteric, one of small pox, and nine of cerebro-spinal fever. Twelve deaths.

A respondent writes to the "Malay Mail": "Some of the largest tin mines in this State are considering the advisability of shutting down, as the present price, though much higher than in pre-war times, leaves no margin for profit combined with the abnormal cost of materials and the high price of labour and foodstuffs."

At the sale of Crown Lands at the Public Works Department yesterday Mr. J. W. White was the only purchaser. He secured a lot, composed of 15,870 square feet, situated above Coombe Road, and designated as Rural Building Lot No. 147, for the upset price of \$1,290. The property will be tenable for a period of 75 years.

A Shanghai preacher using John Morley's "Recollections" published last year, as a subject for a sermon, dealt with "Honest John's" agnosticism. It wasn't that Morley was a bad man. That could not be said. How then to explain his agnosticism? He put it down to ignorance. (Eph. 17, 18). Mr. Morley has not yet had time to reply.

A prominent Allied official recently said he thought the Peace Congress would last two years at the very least. "You see," he went on, "the strictly political and territorial problems which will be raised in two months, but the economic reconstruction of Europe and the means for regenerating Russia are bound to reveal at the outset a great diversity of opinion, and special committees will have to be set up to study these questions closely, before the chief delegates can come to a decision."

In answer to an enquirer, the editor of a Shanghai contemporary says he has never heard of a "chiropractor," and suggests that it is a "peasant word" for "bone-setter." It isn't. It is the newest American development in medical practice, with its own university, and different states are passing laws to legalize the practice, which is frowned on by the regular doctors. As the "China Mail" understands it, it claims that several serious nervous and mental maladies can be cured by manipulating the vertebrae. Blindness, for instance, when due to shell shock.

A report has been received in Japan of a shocking tragedy in America, in which Dr. Ishida, a professor of the Nagasaki College, who was despatched to the United States some time ago to promote his studies, is reported to have shot dead Dr. Wolf at the Shepherd Hospital at Baltimore, Massachusetts, on December 21, says the "Nagasaki Press." A subsequent despatch said that the motive for the alleged murder is said to be jealousy on the side of Dr. Ishida, a nurse in the hospital being the cause. The public trial of the accused was to open on January 3 and preparations were being made by the Japanese Embassy at Washington for the defence of Dr. Ishida.

## PROF. WARREN'S LECTURE.

## "WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY."

There was fairly large attendance at the Helena May Institute last evening when Professor Warren delivered an interesting lecture on "Wireless Telegraphy."

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak in introducing the lecturer dealt briefly with the present value of wireless telegraphy and its great commercial possibilities in the future.

Professor Warren, who illustrated his lecture with practical demonstrations, explained the nature of electrical waves, how they came about and how they could be developed. He then dealt with popular errors concerning wireless telegraphy. The chief error was that it was a recent achievement. This was a mistake, as it was older than the names of such men as Marconi and Lodge. They were not the founders of the science; they were simply men who had done a lot of vanishing and polishing. If he were asked to name the founders of the science of wireless telegraphy he would mention such names as Helmholtz, Hertz, Maxwell, Kelvin, etc., much of whose work in that field was done over fifty years ago.

Another prevalent exaggeration was that wireless telegraphy was "marvellous." "We have learnt to fly and later thought we had done something wonderful when we discovered that we could also walk. In wire telegraphy we direct electrical waves by means of a pair of wires much as we direct sound waves in a speaking tube. In wireless telegraphy we send out electrical waves more or less indiscriminately in all directions, as we send out sound waves when we talk or shout. Where we have no speaking tube we must shout loudly if we wish to be heard over any considerable distance. When we send out electrical waves undirected by wires we must use much more energy, in order that the waves may be detected at any great distance away. The problems that wireless telegraphy presents are very great, but more difficult problems have already been solved in wire telegraphy. Radio is a great future before it. I think it will never displace ordinary telegraphy except in a few isolated cases. Later, conditions may require messages to be transmitted at the rate of thousands of words per minute. I think the older form of telegraphy would accept the condition quite easily. In fact there seem to be no theoretical limit to the speed at which messages can be transmitted if necessary. With radio telegraphy the difficulties in the way of exceptionally high sending speeds seem at present to be very great."

The difficulty in understanding wireless telegraphy lay in the difficulty of understanding the electric waves. The lecturer explained that at length. Later he said that the function of wireless telegraphy was to provide us with means of communication between moving objects. The value of wireless on land was only over districts where cables could not be laid or poles erected economically. "The International Morse code is almost universally used for wireless telegraphy just as for telegraphy with wires. The sending speed is about 25 words per minute by hand, or about 250 words per minute automatic. In all cases some form of 'aerial' or antenna is used to radiate the electric waves. Generally, though not always, the same antenna is used for both sending and receiving. In the earliest wireless stations the apparatus was of the simplest and consisted of a plain aerial, possessing both inductance and capacity separated from earth by means of a spark gap. An induction coil was used to charge up the antenna until discharge took place by a spark jumping between the two spark balls. When this took place the aerial discharged itself in an oscillation through the condenser are set up across the spark gap. After a few hundred-thousandths of a second these oscillations ceased and the air resumed its normal insulating condition ready to receive the next charge of the coil. The induction coil went on charging the antenna five or ten times per second and a sequence of isolated groups of waves was projected into the ether. To transmit signals it was necessary to break up this series into the long and short of the Morse Code. This was done by interrupting the supply of current to the coil by means of a Morse key." He described the Marconi improvements. Continuous radiation is replacing the spark system. "The reception of waves upon the receiving aerial results in a very minute current of very high frequency. These currents cannot be observed directly. They are made to operate other instruments by means of which the signal is made known either as a sound or a beam of light. The former method is the one most generally in use, the sounds being produced in an ordinary telephone receiver."

Shipping derived most benefit from wireless. Accidents at sea had been considerably reduced and it was now possible for an ocean going liner to go down a crowded channel at full speed without risk of a collision. All ocean going steamers should be fitted with wireless apparatus.

"One other point may be mentioned. By combined sound and wireless signals one ship can tell the exact position and distance of another when they approach within a couple of miles, and it would be possible if required to make the received signals automatic and to relay these signals on the steering gear. Collisions at sea are absurdities. Such disasters have been taken place during the present war are simply the result of criminal ignorance."

A well-deserved note of thanks was accorded to Professor Warren for his lucid exposition.

## SHAMEEN NOTES.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

SHAMEEN, Jan. 19.

TENNIS.

The Shameen Lawn Tennis Club yesterday played a Tournament against a team selected by the Rev. J. M. Henry and—as usual—made a very poor showing. The Missionaries simply played all over them and came out on top by 10 to 2. The only winners on the Shameen side were Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Jamieson in a "Mixed Doubles" and Mr. H. E. Muriel in a "Singles." Tea was served on the ground to a large number of visitors and friends, and a very sociable and enjoyable afternoon was spent.

THE C.A.T.S.

The Canton Amateur Theatrical Society, at the Club Theatre, last night, presented Messrs. Buchanan & Marlowe's Farceful Comedy, in 3 acts, "The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown" with the following casts of characters:—Major O'Gallagher, Nth. Lancers, Mr. John Robertson.

Capt. Chas. Courtney, Nth. Lancers, Mr. H. E. Muriel.  
Sergeant Tanner, of Scotland Yard, Mr. E. G. Jamieson.

Samuel Hibernation, Solicitor, Mr. Arnold Hotson.  
Herr von Moser, Music Master at Cicero House, Mr. H. E. Smith.

Pte. Mick Docherty, Servant to Major O'Gallagher, Mr. G. N. Courtney.  
Mrs. O'Gallagher, Mrs. E. G. Jamieson.  
Miss Romney, Schoolmistress, Cicero House, Mrs. A. W. Pontius.

Emma, Maid-servant, Cicero House, Mrs. A. Wilson.  
Clara Loveridge, Millicent Loveridge.

Folly Perkins, Matilda Jones, Euphemia Schwartz and Angela Brightwell, Pupils at Cicero House, Miss Barbara Wilson, Mrs. E. Marshall Wood, Miss White, Mrs. M. A. Annett, Mrs. G. N. Courtney and Mr. John Robertson.

Produced by Mr. John Robertson. Prompter, Mr. J. C. Parkin.

The leading lady's part—"Angela Brightwell" was undertaken by Mrs. John Robertson who enacted the impetuous young ward-in-Chancery most capably. She was most charming throughout, her enunciation clear and distinct, and her conception of the part was perfect. Mrs. E. G. Jamieson not only looked the part of "Mrs. O'Gallagher" but acted it to the life whilst Mrs. A. W. Pontius was splendid as "Miss Romney." She not only dressed the part but maintained throughout her "sister, son, and old-maidish style, with such effect as to obliterate her own well-known jovial personality entirely. A word of praise must certainly be given to Mrs. G. N. Courtney as "Euphemia Schwartz." She was jolly and spritely and her affectionate and loving scenes with "Miss Brown" were most amusing and true to life—"She acted as to the manner born."

The rest of the ladies were were everything that was nice and dainty, little Barbara Wilson especially speaking her lines distinctly and acting her part naturally.

Of the gentlemen, Mr. H. E. Muriel as "Capt. Chas. Courtney" and subsequently as "Miss Brown" had a very great deal to do and say, and whatever he said or did, was well said and done. What greater praise can we give him? The surprise of the evening was Mr. H. E. Smith as "Herr von Moser." Music Master at Cicero House. A few pieces of low comedy character acting has never been seen on the stage of the Canton Theatre.

Mr. John Robertson essayed the part of "Major O'Gallagher" in a manly, robust and characteristic style but we have seen him in parts that suited him better. Mr. E. G. Jamieson was exceptionally good as the Cockney detective from Scotland Yard and maintained his energetic and forceful manner to the end, whilst the part of the interfering pettifogging trouble making Lawyer "Samuel Hibernation" was enacted by Mr. Arnold Hotson to the very life. Mr. G. N. Courtney was most amusing and caused many a laugh in his impersonation of the Irish servant "Pte. Mick Docherty." The whole performance went without a hitch and the greatest credit is due to Mr. John Robertson the producer. The theatre was crowded and the audience enthusiastic and generous in their applause.

DEATH.

We very much regret to record the death of Mrs. Reid—wife of Mr. Chas. H. Reid of the Kwangtung Electric Supply Co.—which took place at their residence at Tongshan on Thursday evening, after a very long illness. The funeral took place at the Foreigners' Cemetery at 5 p.m. on Friday and was very largely attended, the wreaths being numerous and beautiful.

THE CEMETERY.

Your correspondent was most agreeably surprised at the very great improvement that the Shameen Municipal Council has made to this Cemetery during the last twelve months. For many years it has been nothing but a neglected wilderness, overgrown with weeds and shrubs, the walls falling down, and the graves in a most dilapidated condition. Now everything is in order, all the graves straightened up, the pathways cleared and cemented, with grass-boards and numerous flower beds. The Cemetery is situated in such a very pretty spot, on the Back Beach and overlooking the Macao Fort that it will well repay the Council for the labour and money they have spent in beautifying it.

## NEW HONGKONG BANK FOR SHANGHAI.

Shanghai is to have the biggest business block east of Suez and one of the most modern bank buildings in the world. The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on Jan. 7 announced that plans are under way to construct a five-story building which will cover some 90,000 square feet between the Bund, Foochow Road and Szechuen Road and will occupy the entire square lot of land from Foochow Road to the Customs House with the exception of the Szechuen Road corner occupied by Chinese Post Office and Calbeck, Macgregor and Company.

The lot has a frontage of 335 feet on the Bund and runs along Foochow Road 225 feet to the building occupied by Calbeck, Macgregor and Company. It is not known when work will be started on building down the present structures. Architects' drawings have not yet been accepted. The Bank is securing information on building from various parts of the world. Hope will be expressed yesterday that work would be started on the new building late this year.

The new bank will be modern in every respect. New York banking houses, with every improvement, will be taken as models. The plans are yet very much in the air but the general idea is for a banking building that will rank with the best in the world. The cost of the building will run into millions.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank will have elaborate accommodations with floor space which will be adequate to meet the needs of the institution for a number of years. The main offices are to be on the ground floor and the gorgeous rotunda familiar in American banks will be in the plan selected. The building of the new business block means that Kelly and Walsh, booksellers and stationers, occupying Bund site for a number of years; Andrews and George, with offices on Foochow Road and the occupants of the building at the corner of Foochow Road and the Bund, including Thomas W. Simmons and Company, Davies and Brooke and O. Thoresen, will vacate their present premises some time during the year.

Kelly and Walsh will be installed in a new building on Nanking Road by September first. The firm has contracted for the construction of the new building and work of tearing down the structure between the British Flower Shop and the building formerly occupied by Reuters and now owned by the Bank of Taiwan, has already started. The new building which will cost \$1,700,000, will be four stories in height and up-to-date in every respect. Kelly and Walsh will occupy the ground floor and offices will be on the upper floors. The building will include a very convenience and will be heated by a hot water plant. Messrs. Atkinson and Dallas are the architects.

## CANTON MEDICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Canton Medical Missionary Society was held at the Canton Hospital on January 17. In the absence of the Secretary, Dr. J. M. Wright, Dr. C. A. Hayes was elected Secretary Protem.

On the motion of Rev. J. M. Henry the following By-law was added to the constitution of the Society, written notice having been given at the annual meeting held at the Club Theatre, Shamoen, March 20, 1918:

BY-LAW No. 1.

The Executive Committee of the society shall consist of the President, Secretary, Senior Vice-President, and the representatives on the Board of Directors of the Canton Medical Missionary Union.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Canton Medical Missionary Union was read by Rev. J. M. Henry, the Chairman, and approved.

The reports of the chairman of the medical staff and the business manager were taken as read, the same to be printed soon.

The reports of the Hon. Treasurer were read and approved.

Voted to approve of the report of the nominating committee, naming the following as the officers of the society for the ensuing year:

President, Rev. J. M. Henry.  
Vice-Presidents, Rev. A. A. Fulton, Rev. Edgell Lawton.  
Hon. Vice-Presidents, J. W. Jamieson Esq., C.M.S., H.N.C. and General, A. W. Pontius Esq., American Consul General.  
Dr. W. G. Reynolds.  
G. D. Pearson Esq.  
Robert Sheehan Esq.  
Mrs. John G. Kerr.

Hon. Treasurer, E. H. Smyth Esq.  
Hon. Secretary, Dr. C. A. Hayes.

Hon. Auditor, H. C. Shrubbs Esq.  
Mr. E. H. Smyth was elected representative of the society on the Board of Directors of the Canton Medical Missionary Union to take the place of Rev. O. W. Shepp who resigned owing to change of residence.

Notice was given by Mr. E. H. Smyth of proposal to change the constitution (Article 6), so as to change the membership fee from \$10 to \$5 per year. A rising vote of thanks was given to the retiring officers, after which the meeting adjourned.



## ITALIAN CONVENT.

The distribution of prizes took place at the Convent School in Caine Road yesterday, quite privately. The Rev. Bishop Pozzani presented them in the presence of the School Manager. Following are the recipients:—

CLASS 1.  
Antonio Campos, first prize and University Senior certificate with honours and prize for painting.  
Yu Chung Sun, first prize and University Senior certificate distinction for English.

Dolores Josen, prize and University Senior certificate with honours.  
B. Manuela Carvalho, prize and University Senior certificate with honours.

Luisa Gil, prize and University Senior certificate, distinction for Biblical knowledge and shorthand.  
Assunção Sian, prize and University Senior certificate, distinction for arithmetic.

Maria de Rosa, distinction and University Senior certificate.  
Sylvia de Cotte, distinction for French and University Senior certificate.

CLASS 2.  
Maria Remedios, first prize and University Junior certificate.  
Theresa Gil, first prize and University Junior certificate.

Ada Hammon, second prize and University Junior certificate.  
Tana Chiu Tin, distinction for arithmetic and University Junior certificate.

Margerie Garrod, distinction for reading and University Junior certificate.  
Emilia Figueiredo, distinction for English and University Junior certificate.

CLASS 3.  
Dorothea Barwald, first prize for general profit.

Furita Campos, second prize for general profit.

Agnes Fung, second prize for general profit.

Margaret Holden, distinction for composition and dictation.

Gloria Campos, distinction for drawing, prize for painting.

Anna Almeida, distinction for arithmetic and drawing.

Victoria Frances, distinction for embroidery.

Annie Cordeiro, prize for music.

Annie Dillon, distinction for music.

CLASS 4.  
Elizabeth Ward, first prize for general profit.

Ruby Runjahn, second prize for general profit.

Agnes Gil, second prize for general profit.

Margaret Martin, distinction for general profit.

Edith Anderson, distinction for good conduct and recitation.

Susie Koswall, distinction for good conduct and application.

Laura Santon, distinction for good conduct and object lessons.

Winnie Chan, second prize for needlework.

Vicenta Osmerna, distinction for music.

CLASS 5.  
Maida Chow, first prize for general profit and second prize for needlework.

Rosie Wong, second prize for arithmetic and drawing.

Carry Chaw, second prize for application and first for needlework.

Isabel Remedios, distinction for geography and dictation.

Molly Bryan, distinction for reading and dictation.

Conchita Garcia, distinction for recitation and geography.

Katie Sullivan, distinction for dictation and object lessons.

Mary White, distinction for conduct and application.

Carlotto Rozario, distinction for application and good conduct.

Goobar Cooper, prize for music.

CLASS 6.  
Elsie Watt, first prize for general profit, distinction for needlework.

Maria Rozario, second prize for general profit.

Soghra Namassee, second prize for general profit.

Eugenia Cabaco, second prize for general profit.

Annie Solomon, distinction for recitation and dictation.

## HOWITT PHILLIPS COMPANY.

## "PEG O' MY HEART."

The Howitt-Phillips Company made a welcome reappearance at the Theatre Royal last night when they presented Mr. Barclay Manners' comedy "Peg O' My Heart," the lines and humour of which are so clever that it is easy to understand the popularity which the piece has attained. The comedy is an old favourite.

The same Company presented it two years ago and the packed theatre last night showed that the popularity of the Company, gained during their last visit to the Colony, was remembered. Miss Doris Phillips took the title role and her success last night was complete.

She was a very charming representative of the character of the warm-hearted and wilful Irish girl and the play lost nothing through repetition or by her interpretation of it.

"Peg," Her quaint manner, in which she uttered the author's best lines, delighted the audience. The success of the piece is mainly due to her. Mr. H. E. Waring as "Jerry" gave her as good support as the part affords and acted well. Miss Olive Stevens as "Ethel Chichester" hardly made the best of her part. It is a part which calls for emotion-acting but her acting last night was at times unconvincing. The other parts were portrayed by Miss Lillian Stanbridge (Mrs. Chichester), Mr. Leonard Stephens (Mr. Chichester) and others. Mr. Walter Vincent as "Montgomery Hawker" would be a greater hit if he regulated his voice more and spoke with about half his present speed. To-night the Company will present "Within the Law," a play dealing with American criminals.

Eileen Aris, distinction for composition and needlework.

Maria Rodrigues, distinction for geography.

John Alvarez, distinction for geography.

CLASS 8.  
Bertha Thomas, first prize for general profit.

Phyllis Quiney, second prize for general profit.

Remigia Elarte, distinction for English.

Louise Campos, distinction for reading and recitation.

Garneta Remedios, distinction for dictation and writing.

Rezven Neunzee, distinction for dictation and reading.

Maria Hui, distinction for arithmetic and dictation.

José Franco, distinction for religious knowledge and reading.

Alice King, distinction for religious knowledge and reading.

Maria da Rosa, distinction for arithmetic and writing.

SPECIAL CLASSES (Class 7).  
Violet Yu, first prize for general profit.

Gertie Chen, second prize for general profit.

Susie Chen, second prize for general profit.

Lily Chen, distinction for conduct and application.

Alice Wong, distinction for conduct and application.

(Class 8).  
Sonia Lam, first prize for general profit.

Sophia Lam, first prize for general profit.

Dora She, second prize for general profit.

Lily She, second prize for general profit.

Jessie Leong, distinction for conduct and application.

Lily Woo, distinction for conduct and application.

Ruby She, distinction for conduct and application.

Chara Lin, distinction for conduct and application.

INFANT SCHOOL.

CLASS 9.  
Betty Terret, first prize for general profit.

Lily Williams, second prize for general profit.

Gusie da Rosa, distinction for arithmetic.

Maria Ligores, distinction for conduct and dictation.

Maria Cruz, distinction for recitation.

Angelina Choo, distinction for good conduct and neatness.

Erasmus Alves, distinction for drawing.

Olga Azedo, distinction for conduct and recitation.

Maria Lopes, distinction for conduct and recitation.

## RIFLE LEAGUE SHOOTING.

Teams representing the Hongkong Defence Corps and the Navy shot their League match on Saturday at the Stonecutters Range. The sun behind the targets at the longer ranges spoiled all chance of big scoring, as it was difficult to get any definition at all. The Defence Corps won by 13 points. Scores:

H.K. DEFENCE CORPS.			
Pte. A. Jenkins	200	500	600
Cpl. J. A. Lyon	34	30	26
L/Cpl. F. C. Good	30	30	26
man	27	31	27
R. Q. M. S. J. C.	28	29	27
Mackay	28	29	27
Sgt. M. Manuk	28	31	25
Pte. E. R. Dovey	29	26	26
Cpl. C. A. Grimes	29	27	24
Sgt. A. Leach	31	26	21
Total	236	230	205

\* Open sight.

NAVY.			
C. P. O. Cobb	200	500	600
Sgt. Watling	32	28	33
S. P. O. Losch	30	28	29
M. A. A. Crane	28	24	29
L. S. Murray	25	30	23
Pte. Biggs	25	26	23
S. Connor	28	26	13
Pte. Kelly	22	22	27
Total	217	209	213

Plus allowance of 4% for open sight.

\* Aperture sights.

Total 655

H.M. Dockyard Rifle Club met the Hongkong Police and Police Reserve at Tai Hang on Saturday. Good weather conditions prevailed. The Dockyard won the match by 64 points.

The scores were as follow:—

POLICE AND POLICE RESERVE.			
Mr. Sirdar Khan	200	500	600
Grant	28	29	28
Franks	29	24	28
McEwen	33	25	21
Bullock	29	27	21
Marks	23	24	33
Moosden	33	20	22
Royance	20	25	16

\* Aperture sight. Total 600

Plus for open sights 61

Total 661

DOCKYARD RIFLE CLUB.

Mr. Brock	200	500	600
Elson	32	32	31
Sears	31	33	25
Lockhart	27	29	30
Gill	27	31	27
Drew	27	31	25
Wright	26	30	25
Denne	20	23	24

Total 635

All used aperture sights.

MANCHESTER REGT. V. TAIKOO.

A rifle match between these teams under the auspices of the Hongkong Rifle League took place at Tai Koo Range on Saturday. Taikoo winning by 83 points.

The weather was hazy with a varying wind and against good scores being registered.

The following were the scores made:—

TAIKOO.			
Mr. Simpson	200	500	600
Mr. Lyle	30	33	33
Mr. Wallace	27	24	31
Lieut. Danby	30	29	22
Mr. Eldridge	24	28	24
Mr. Grimshaw	18	32	25
Mr. Wells	28	24	17
Mr. McHatchem	27	20	21
Total	212	220	203

MANCHESTER REGT.

x Sgt. Marshall	27	31	24
x Lt. Corp. Mills	29	26	22
x Sgt. Simants	29	24	25
x " Bilson	24	25	23
x " Lagg	20	26	20
x " Emm	20	25	11
x " Jennings	21	17	17
x Pte. Childs	23	18	12
Total	193	190	153

x Open sight plus 4% open sights

Total 552

BILLIARDS.

GOODMAN BEATS THE CHAMPION.

A very large audience witnessed the game between Sergt. W. Pitt, H.K. Police, and Sergt. Goodman, Manchester Regt., at the Palace Hotel on Saturday night, and enjoyed the excellent play shown by the principals.

The game was 500 up, and at the commencement Goodman started away with repeated breaks of double figures, and rapidly drew ahead until he was 125 in front of his opponent. Pitt in the meantime was playing good billiards but failed to get the balls running to his satisfaction. After half way was reached, Pitt got going with a fine break of 34 and from then by consistent play drew up and passed his opponent but Goodman would not be beaten and after a rather exciting finish he ran out a winner by 20 points. The scores read: Goodman 500, Pitt 480. The winners chief breaks were 45, 30, 27, 25, 23, and 02 (twice). Pitt 34, 23, 26, 26, 24 (twice), 23, 22, and 21.

After the game Pitt expressed a wish for a return match and Goodman will meet him again on Saturday at 9 p.m. at the Palace Hotel in a game of 600 up.

## THE SUPREME COURT.

## ACTION BY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Supreme Court this morning, the hearing was begun in a series of actions brought by the Building Authorities against Li Tana Fan, owner of No. 150 Des Voeux Road, under section 186 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, alleging abutment on to a private street known as Wing Kut Street, to the extent of 58 feet 6 inches.

Mr. Longmotto, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Building Authorities, while Mr. G. R. Haywood was for the defendant.

Mr. Longmotto proposed to take the case in the order as they stood in the list, but Mr. Haywood objected and asked that case No. 1424 be taken first and said that he had prepared his argument on that plan, and understood that his friend did not object to that procedure until when actually in Court. Counsel said that if the actions were taken in the order suggested by his friend, it would entail double work for the Court and for himself inasmuch as they would have to go through the same evidence again in the subsequent actions. It said case No. 1424 was taken first as he suggested, and he happened to lose that case, he would lose the others as well.

Mr. Longmotto said that it was different in his case, it did not follow that if he lost the case in question, he should lose the others.

His lordship (to Mr. Haywood): You undertake that if you lose case No. 1424, you would pay the others?—Yes, my lord.

His lordship: The Crown Solicitor is not bound by the same arrangement, you know?—No, my lord, he can do as he likes.

The Crown Solicitor raising no objection, case No. 1424 was taken first.

Opening the case for the Building Authorities, Mr. Longmotto said the action was brought by the Building Authorities under section 186 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, charging the owner of No. 150 Des Voeux Road with abutting on to a private street called Wing Kut Street. Counsel said that his contention was the fact that the house in question touched the pavement of Wing Kut Street at a point, namely No. 35 Wing Kut Street, was sufficient abutment and adjoining under the Ordinance. It was for his friend to prove that No. 150 Des Voeux Road did not adjoin or abut Wing Kut Street.

Evidence was then taken from Mr. Edwards and Mr. Brown of the P.W.D., after which, Mr. Haywood addressed his lordship and said his defence was that No. 150 Des Voeux Road did not abut on Wing Kut Street within the meaning and scope of the Ordinance and that if it did, it was only to the extent of 4 feet 11 inches and this had been paid for by the owner of the houses fronting the improvement. Counsel then referred to the Home Act and then evidence was entered for the defence.

The case proceeded.

DEMobilIZATION.

RETURN OF HONGKONG MEN EXPECTED.

When telegraphing that the Army of Occupation would be composed of men who have had the least military service, Reuter must have been making a general statement for we have very good authority for saying that those conscripted towards the end of last year are expected back in the Colony shortly from Salonica and India. In fact arrangements for their recall are already moving. The importance of getting businesses at full strength for post-war trade is the main reason for their return to the Colony. In that case it is hoped that those who have been away four years will not be forgotten.

TO-DAYS ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Interest and Responsibility of George Banker of and in the Import and Export business carried on at Hongkong under the style or firm name of "BANKER and COMPANY" ceased as from the 1st January, 1919, from which date the business will be carried on by SAMUEL EBENEZER GREEN.

Dated the 20th January, 1919.  
GEO. BANKER,  
S. E. GREEN.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that THOMAS PROCTOR LINDSAY WOODS is authorized to SIGN our firm for procuration.

Dated the 20th January, 1919.  
BANKER & CO.

CURE THAT COUGH.

WHEN you have a troublesome cough, it does not mean that you have consumption or that you are going to have it, but it does mean that your lungs are threatened and it is just as well to be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy before it is too late. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## TO-DAYS ADVERTISEMENTS.

## PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Hon. the CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, to sell by Public Auction,

MONDAY,  
January 27, 1919, at 11 a.m., at the Central Police Station,  
CONDEMNED and CONFISCATED GOODS.

Terms—Cash.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers to the Government.  
Hongkong, January 20, 1919.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Hon. the CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, to sell by Public Auction,

WEDNESDAY,  
January 23, 1919, at 12 Noon, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,  
One case canned String Beans,  
One case canned Appricots,  
One case Tomato Ketchup,  
Three cases Cocoa,  
One Duplicating Machine with accessories, paper, etc.

Terms—Cash.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, Jan. 21, 1919.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Mrs. J. S. Doms to sell by Public Auction,

WEDNESDAY, January 23, 1919.  
Commencing at 2.30 p.m., at her residence, No. 52 The Peak, (Des Voeux Villas)  
The Whole of her Valuable Household Furniture

Comprising:—  
Leather upholstered easy chairs, Chesterfield armchairs, Teak hall seat, tea and card tables, Teak bookcase, brass mounted curio cabinet, Raw silk screens, Water colours, Cut velvet pictures, Japanese plaques, bronze and brass ware, Lace and Madras curtains, Electric table fan, Electric burners and fittings, etc., etc.

Teak sideboard with bevelled mirror, Extension dining table and dining chairs, Dinner wagon, chiffonier, ice chest, French hand painted coffee cups, Community plated ware (unused), electric kettle, toaster, etc., etc.

Double and single Iron and Teak bedsteads, Wardrobes, Dressing tables, Marble top washstands, Console table with long mirror, chest of drawers, toilet crockery, etc., etc.

Pantry and Kitchen requisites

Also  
A few pieces of Fine Japanese Oak Furniture by Arthur & Bond, Yokohama, consisting of:—  
Sideboard, Lady's folding desk, octagonal table, bookcase with electric fittings, writing table, wardrobe with bevelled mirror and dressing table.

Blackwood-ware (Joss table, curio stand, tables, cake stand, teapots and stool)

One Coalport tea set.

On view from Sunday, 26th inst. Catalogues will be issued.

Terms—Cash on delivery.  
GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.

January 21, 1919.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From EUROPE and STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship,

"KAWACHI MARU,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 27th January, 1919, will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday and Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, Jan. 21, 1919.

## NOTICES.

## Lane, Crawford &amp; Co.

## GLOVES











TELEPHONE NO. 781.



## COMMERCIAL

## INTERNATIONAL ENTERPRISE IN NETH. INDIA.

Circumstances do not permit of the immediate increase of British commercial and planting enterprise in the Dutch East Indies. Meanwhile, both the American and the Japanese stakes in these countries are growing, and it is expected shortly that the direct shipment of produce to the U.S.A. will redound eventually to the advantage of the Batavian market in particular. Mr. A. R. F. Van der Mark recently gave it as his opinion that the advantages of such a first-hand market as Batavia against the transit markets in Europe were very important. People on this side with a fuller knowledge of what is meant by an international market will not agree with Mr. Van der Mark's view, but the state of matters reigning at present is bound to have an important effect on the future of the rubber market. Among the interesting developments of the past few months was the visit of Mr. Thijsen to Java on behalf of a group of American manufacturers. Mr. Thijsen's mission was to inquire into the possibilities which the Dutch East Indies afford as producers of raw material and as buyers of American goods. Other interesting matters are the opening up by the International Banking Corporation of New York of a branch office in Batavia, and the appointment of Mr. S. Van der Plas, the ex-Governor of the East Coast district of Sumatra, as secretary to the General Rubber Co. of New York, which possesses the largest acreage of plantation rubber under a single direction.

Dutch feeling being what it is, it could hardly be expected that the growth of Japanese planting interests would be welcomed, as corresponding developments backed up by American capital have been. The Japanese, however, already own at least three estates in the East Coast district of Sumatra, these estates being worked by companies having a total capital of about 10,000,000 guilders, and being furthermore backed by big Japanese concerns. Negotiations are also said to be in progress for the further acquisition of estates by Japanese undertakings. At present the labour on the Japanese-owned estates in Sumatra, although the managers and assistant managers are Japanese. They are credited, however, with the intention of bringing Japanese emigrants to replace the Javanese, and East Indian papers allude not without misgivings to the prospect of some 3,000 Japanese being presently settled on these estates in Sumatra. — "I. M. Journal."

## GUARD THE BABY AGAINST COLDS.

To guard the baby or young child against colds nothing can equal Baby's Own Tablets. These Tablets are a mild laxative which will keep the little one's stomach and bowels working regularly. It is a recognized fact that when the stomach and bowels are in good order colds will not exist; that the health of the little one will be good, and that he will thrive and be happy.

Baby's Own Tablets also cure vomiting, feverishness, indigestion, and expel worms. They make teething easy; are guaranteed to be free from opiates and perfectly harmless.

Sold by chemists, or by mail at 60 cents the vial from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 36 Sechen Road, Shanghai.



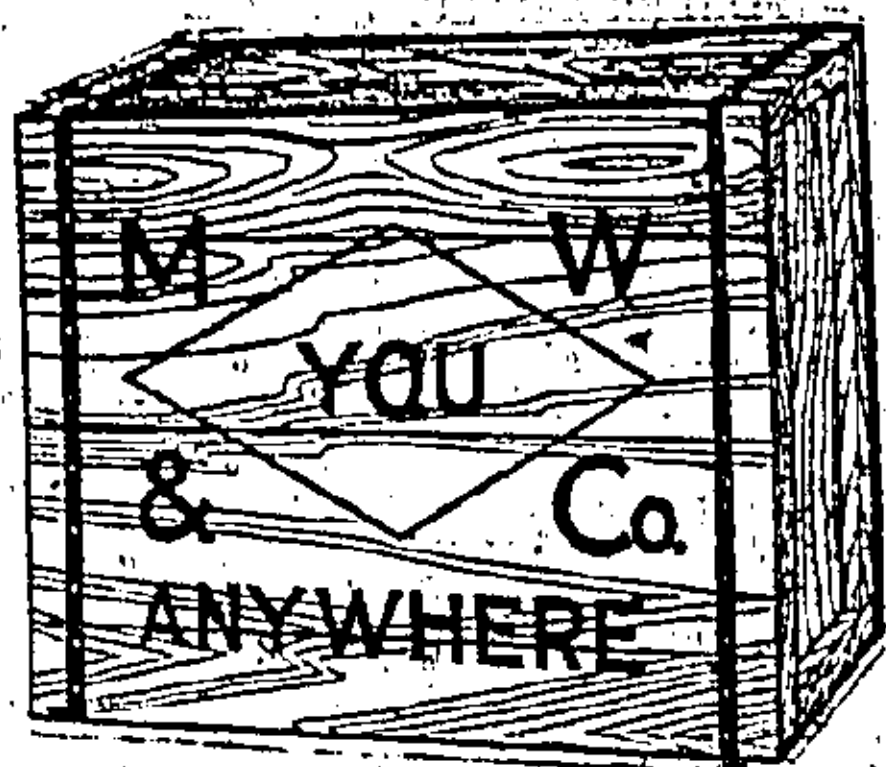
## CONQUEST BY CAPITAL.

How many thousands of people which have fallen from the lips of President Wilson have been sent us by Reuters we cannot say, but one thing is sure, that there have been extremely few amongst them which gave any handle for the militant enemy, and equally few which provided an opportunity for the enemies of right to blaspheme. Has there been a slip in the last speech, that at Turin? Has the carefully laid and wisely careful Wilson at last left open a loophole for the enemy's shafts? He tells all the world that, "A country is owned and dominated by the capital that is invested in it." That is, of course, a truism from a certain point of view. But we can imagine the eagerness with which the Bolshevik will seize on such an admission. "What have we told you all along?" he will say. "Dominated by capital! Do you hear that, and from the lips of the President of the United States? By capital, and not by men. Will you believe us now?"

That is the first suggestion that may be made on this portion of the speech. There are others. The President proceeded to say that in proportion to the amount of foreign capital in a country, the more it had in view the time when so much German capital went to Italy. But we feel quite sure that Dr. Wilson had fully developed this portion of his subject, would have made it clear that the influence wielded by foreign capital

in any country, while it is in direct ratio to its amount, is in inverse ratio to the national strength of the borrower. The United States was, for example, a heavy borrower from Great Britain in days gone by. How much "influence" of the political sort had Britain in consequence? Great Britain has lent money all over the world, and we think that a careful investigation into the results would bear out what we have said.

We can recall but one instance of trouble between Great Britain and one of her debtors on account of indebtedness, and in that case we acted in bad company—the company of Germany against Venezuela. We were quite near a quarrel with the United States in consequence. Such a case calls attention to one, other point. A weak borrower should be careful to borrow only from those who can be relied on to treat her fairly. Take the case of Germany's "penetration." Her system of long credits was nothing but a disguised maneuver to entangle her customers in a web of debt. The money by the thousand could be advanced from South America, China, and elsewhere. Once in the toils, the victim was practically doomed. A new debt took the place of an old one paid off, and the vicious circle could not be escaped from. A little longer, and the bill for the Monroe Doctrine, Germany would boldly have assumed control of a considerable portion of the South American continent. Borrowing, therefore, needs caution. "He who gets a borrowing goes a borrowing" in real truth sometimes. — Shanghai Mercury.



YOU will see the mark of MONTGOMERY WARD AND COMPANY on boxes and crates of quality merchandise in ports the world over. For more than fifteen years we have exported to consumers and merchants in nearly every corner of the globe.

WE SELL EVERYTHING for the home, office, farm or school—Groceries, Dry Goods, Clothing, Furniture, Hardware, Electrical Goods, Gas Engines, Bicycles, Farm Implements, etc.

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Because of transportation conditions, we especially recommend the use of the parcel post. Packages up to a weight of fifty pounds can now be sent through the United States Postal Agency at Shanghai at the rate of 12 cents per pound or fraction thereof. To other parts of China we can send packages up to eleven pounds in weight at the same rate of postage. In both cases, there is no limit to the number of packages. This is a very quick economical and efficient way of ordering merchandise to-day.

We guarantee safe delivery whether the goods go by mail or freight. We obtain the export license necessary for exporting goods to China.

No matter where you live, it will pay you to get our Catalogue and place a trial order.

MONTGOMERY WARD AND COMPANY,  
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THE CALIFORNIA WINE ASSOCIATION

are the biggest wine growers in the world;  
having a capital of ten million dollars (gold).

They produce sound wines at a reasonable price, which compare very favourably with European products. Some very sound Moselle, Port, Hock, Claret, Sauterne and Chianti are now on sale.

**SANDY MACDONALD.** (Scotch).

Our standing order to the distillers (Messrs. Alexander & Macdonald Ltd.) is—"Ship us all you can." Need we argue further?

**MONNETS XXX BRANDY.**

Is The Brandy which is rapidly becoming known as the Premier Brandy in the Far East.

ALL THE ABOVE LINES ARE STOCKED BY  
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TEL 185

## INTIMATIONS

## PEAK TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.	
WEEK DAYS.	
7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Every 10 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
11.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
12.00 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
3.15 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
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9.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
10.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
11.00 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
11.30 p.m. to 11.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.

SUNDAYS.	
7.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
11.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
12.00 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
1.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.

## NIGHT CARS, as on Week Days.

## SUNDAYS EXTRA CARS.

1.30 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by arrangement at the Company's Office, ALLIANCE BUILDING, Des Vaux Road Central.

Season and month tickets available for all cars not already full running at the time stated in the Company's time tables, but not for special cars, can be obtained on application at the Company's Office. No Season ticket will be issued until payment therefor has been made in Bank Notes or by Cheque or Comproadors order representing Bank Note.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

## ASAHI BEER



Sole Agents  
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

## EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, January 21, 1919.	
On London	3/3
Bank Wire	3/3
On demand	3/3
30 days sight	3/3
4 months sight	3/3
Credit, 4 months sight	3/3
Documentary, 4 months sight	3/3
On Paris	42 1/2
On demand	42 1/2
Credit 4 months sight	42 1/2
On New York	77 1/2
On demand	77 1/2
Credit 30 days sight	77 1/2
On Bombay	nom.
Wire	nom.
On Calcutta	nom.
Wire	nom.
On demand	nom.
On Singapore	138 1/2
On demand	138 1/2
On Manila	157
On demand	157
On Shanghai	nom.
On demand	nom.
30 days sight (private paper)	nom.
On Yokohama	148
Gold (100 fine (per tael))	42.40
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	80.00
Silver (per oz.)	45 1/2
Bar Silver in Hongkong	25 1/2 p.m.
Chinese Copper Cash	24 1/2 p.m.
Chinese Copper Cash	0.0 p.m.
Rate of Market Interest	7 1/2 p.m.
Chinese Sub. Coin	2 p.m.
Hongkong Sub. Coin	2 p.m.

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, 21st JANUARY, 1919.

## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

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BANKS.

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MANHATTAN LIFE.

Canterbury, 117 1/2.

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## BANKS

## HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL—\$10,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS—\$10,000,000

STERLING—\$1,000,000

SILVER—\$1,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITIES OF \$10,000,000

COURTESY OF DIRECTOR.

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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits: For 3 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months 4 per cent. per annum.

For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 14, 1919.

## HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 4 PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 14, 1919.

## BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—FRANCE 45,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL—FRANCE 25,000,000

(1/3 of the Capital, i.e. France 15,000,000)

subscribed by the Government of the Chinese Republic.

Chairman of the Board.

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